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Great.

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Then, when the data are ready, we'll get a package together for you to send up.

Thanks. Let us know of any objections.

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Let me know when the results are in a final form. Michal is ready to release. We will send her the final results for her review, she would like us to talk with comms, possibly provide an advance copy to a newspaper. Can someone draft a response to the incoming e-mail? Tx.

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We talked about releasing these data with Alex before she left. Thuy's in the process of Q/Cing the data and addressing Tala's request for data to be reorganized, so once we have a final report, we could share. I think the TSCA CBI thing was resolved. But I would suggest we notify Michal before doing so.

Re: what Clarke is doing with its other products in fluorinated HDPE containers, I haven't been talking with Karen Larson on their product stewardship intentions. Copying Catherine Aubee in RD; she might have some intel on that.

Re: inerts, you may need to reach out to the inerts branch in RD (Kerry Leifer, but again copying Catherine).

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Fyi – Thoughts?

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Hi, Ed. I want to thank you for joining the Mosquito Control for the Twenty-first Century Task Force meeting last week, and for sharing EPA's ongoing work on the fluorinated HDPE containers. I wanted to take advantage of your generous offer to speak offline about the work you're doing.

PEER did a FOIA for your test results on the containers on 1/15, and a response is due 2/19. Is there any way we could get those data from you, or do we have to wait for the FOIA process (which, as you know, can be incredibly long)?

I also have a few questions. I asked whether any of Clarke's other 59 pesticide products used these fluorinated containers, and you responded that some, but not all, did. Why is the company not red tagging those pesticides as well? Shouldn't the public be informed?

Also, you told me that EPA had removed the legacy PFAS approved inerts from InertFinder. And I see that the list is different, but it still includes a lot of different PFAS that were not there before. Can you explain to me what is going on (I'm hoping I'm misunderstanding what I'm seeing)? Why would any PFAS be on this list?

As you know, PEER is deeply concerned about the presence of PFAS in pesticides, and in these containers. We appreciate the work you are doing on this, but would love to understand it a little better.

Thanks so much,

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